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Dear Mr. Weisberg,

I hope I have written you at the correct address. I found your address in the bibliography of *High Treason* and *High Treason 2*. Edward Livingstone says that you are the grandfather of JFK assassination research. I have seen the books you have written and I hope I can read them later on.

I would like to ask your opinion of a particular item that I was astonished to learn about. I found out about it by accident in a way. It deals with the Kennedy (JFK) assassination though.

Have you read the book - *Crossfire - The Plot That Killed Kennedy* by Jim Marrs? I finished reading this book in August of this year. I have recently discovered a big mistake in this book where true fact goes.

The mistake is in chapter 6 p. 297 and also on p. 590. Page 297 goes like this (LBJ) and I will quote- " One of Johnson's actions that caused researchers of the assassination no end of problems was Executive

Order 11652, which locked an immense amount of assassination evidence and documents in the National Archives away from the American public until the year 2039. It was this act, more than any other, which has caused so much speculation about a possible role by Johnson in the assassination."

On p. 590, the last words, and I quote "Et tu, Lyndon?"

I was curious about Executive Order 11652 and I wanted to know what its contents (were about)! I wrote to my Congressman in the House of Representatives - Rep. David Price - D. 4th District, N.C.. His staff researched it and obtained a copy of it from the Federal Register. I received it a few days ago.

When I read Rep Price's accompanying letter, I was surprised and astonished. Executive Order 11652 was not signed by President Johnson. It was authored and signed by President Nixon on March 8, 1972. This order formally took effect on June 1, 1972.

This is what I would like to ask you –

1. Did he make an honest mistake in compiling his research for his book? He is a journalist by profession. It would seem strange for him to do something like this. Highly incompetent, if it was carelessness.
2. Is he intentionally lying here? What would it mean if he is?
3. If the Federal Register is correct then, what does Executive Order 11652 hold, where clues (if any) go, to show if Nixon had any role in the JFK Assassination? Could this order be connected to what happened on June 20, 1972 and anything afterwards?

If you could answer these I would surely appreciate it? If the questions are not beyond your knowledge. To my knowledge Executive order 11652 has never been revoked. Thank You.

Sincerely,

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